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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent in the manner set forth below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At the top of the first page, just under the title, insert

-- This application is divisional of U.S. Application 09/979,377 filed November 22, 2000, the entire contents of the parent application are hereby incorporated in their entirety by reference. --

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

4 (Amended) The radiation curable composition according to claim 1, wherein the functional group, when attached to an acrylate group, has a Boltzmann average dipole moment of higher than 4.5 Debye.